

# **2020 ADVOCACY PLANNING AND LEGISLATIVE AGENDA**

**External Affairs Committee**

**October 11, 2019**

# ACTION REQUESTED

**Recommend this item to the Executive Committee for placement on the December 2019 Board of Directors' agenda:**

- **Approval of the CY2020 Legislative Agenda**

## PREVIOUS ACTION

**The CY2019 Legislative Agenda was approved in the December 2018 Board meeting. The External Relations Committee discussed the CY2019 Legislative Agenda at its July 2018 meeting.**

# BACKGROUND

## No substantive changes from the 2019 Legislative Agenda

- Platform remains intact
- Federal/State priorities remain intact

# BACKGROUND

The platform establishes who we are and what we value.  
NOACA's Legislative vision policy and criteria will:

- **STRENGTHEN** regional cohesion
- **PRESERVE** existing infrastructure
- **BUILD** a sustainable multimodal transportation system
- **SUPPORT** economic development
- **ENHANCE** quality of life in Northeast Ohio

# BACKGROUND

## Federal Priorities:

1. **Strengthen the MPO's local control of core transportation programs**
2. **Promote asset management as a funding priority**
3. **Incorporate safety, sustainability, multimodalism in planning and funding**

# BACKGROUND

## Initiatives for Federal Action:

- Increase STBG funding directly to MPOs, to provide local flexibility
- Increase and index federal fuel taxes, and search for new revenue sources for transportation
- Support Hyperloop projects and funding
- Support ITS funding
- Thank your representatives for supporting past and future grant applications

# BACKGROUND

## State Priorities:

- **Improve the region's rate of return from state allocated funds to meet regional asset management needs.**
- **Advocate for the inclusion of multimodal transportation within state programs & funding**



# BACKGROUND

## Initiatives for State Action:

- Promote equitable maintenance of state routes within municipalities
- Promote vehicle miles traveled (VMT) to distribute gas user fee dollars, as outlined in Board *Resolution 2019-013: NOACA Position on Increased Fees for Transportation Infrastructure*
- Advocate for a dedicated, long-term funding source for transit in Ohio



# NEXT STEPS

**Pending Board approval the Legislative Agenda will be forwarded to appropriate state and federal officials as part of NOACA's priorities and agenda for 2020.**

# ACTION

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NOACA 2020 Legislative Agenda



**Motion  
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NOACA will **STRENGTHEN** regional cohesion, **PRESERVE** existing infrastructure, and **BUILD** a sustainable multimodal transportation system to **SUPPORT** economic development and **ENHANCE** quality of life in Northeast Ohio.

